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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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**Request for Nominations for the Cedar Creek and Belle Grove National Historical
Park Advisory Commission**

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Request for nominations.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service (NPS), U.S. Department of the Interior, proposes to appoint new members to the Cedar Creek and Belle Grove National Historical Park Advisory Commission (Commission). The NPS is requesting nominations for qualified persons to serve as members of the Commission.

DATES: Written nominations must be received by [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER.]

ADDRESSES: Nominations or requests for further information should be sent to Karen Beck-Herzog, Acting Site Manager, Cedar Creek and Belle Grove National Historical Park, 8693 Valley Pike, P.O. Box 700, Middletown, Virginia 22645, telephone (540) 868-9176.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public Law 107-373 established the Cedar Creek and Belle Grove National Historical Park. Section 9(a) of that law established the Advisory Commission. The Commission was designated by Congress to provide advice to the Secretary of the Interior on the preparation and implementation of the park's general management plan and to advise on land protection.

The Commission consists of 15 members appointed by the Secretary, as follows:

(a) 1 representative from the Commonwealth of Virginia; (b) 1 representative each from the local governments of Strasburg, Middletown, Frederick County, Shenandoah County, and Warren County; (c) 2 representatives of private landowners within the Park; (d) 1 representative from a citizen interest group; (e) 1 representative from the Cedar Creek Battlefield Foundation; (f) 1 representative from the Belle Grove, Incorporated; (g) 1 representative from the National Trust for Historic Preservation; (h) 1 representative from

the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation; (i) 1 ex-officio representative from the National Park Service; and (j) 1 ex-officio representative from the United States Forest Service.

Each member shall be appointed for a term of three years and may be reappointed for not more than two successive terms. A member may serve after the expiration of that member's term until a successor has taken office. The Chairperson of the Commission shall be elected by the members to serve a term of one year renewable for one additional year.

We are currently seeking members to represent the Town of Strasburg, Shenandoah County, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and private landowners within the Park.

Nominations should be typed and should include a resume providing an adequate description of the nominee's qualifications, including information that would enable the Department of the Interior to make an informed decision regarding meeting the membership requirements of the Commission and permit the Department of the Interior to contact a potential member.

Members of the Commission serve without compensation. However, while away from their homes or regular places of business in the performance of services for the Commission as approved by the Designated Federal Officer, members may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, in the same manner as persons

employed intermittently in Government service are allowed such expenses under Section 5703 of Title 5 of the United States Code.

Individuals who are Federally registered lobbyists are ineligible to serve on all FACA and non-FACA boards, committees, or councils in an individual capacity. The term "individual capacity" refers to individuals who are appointed to exercise their own individual best judgment on behalf of the government, such as when they are designated Special Government Employees, rather than being appointed to represent a particular interest.

All nominations must be compiled and submitted in one complete package. Incomplete submissions (missing one or more of the items described above) will not be considered.

Dated: December 15, 2015.

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Chief, Office of Policy.

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